THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANl ROUTRAY): (a) According to the provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1931 and the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, and their amendments, consent is required from the Pollution Control Boards for establishing or operating units which discharge effluents or emit air pollutants.

(b) The pendency of consents with the Boards is not monitored by the Government of India as the consent unless given or refused earlier is deemed to have been given on the expiry of a period of four months of the making of an application which is complete in all respects.

(c) Technologies for effluent treatment are available in the country. No listing of indigenous manufactureis of effluent treatment plant is made.

Development projects in Orissa pending environmental clearance

*18. SHRI KAHNU CHARAN LENKA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of development projects in Orissa pending clearance from foxests and environmental angle; and

(b) if so, by when they are expected to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) A Statement on the development projects awaiting environmental and | or forestry clearance is laid on the Table of the House. (See beloto.)

(b) A final decision on all development projects where complete details have been furnished is taken within a maximum period of six weeks for forestry and 12 weeks for environmental clearance.

Statement

S. No.	Development Sector and Name of the Project	Present Status
1	2	3
A. *Environmental Clearance*		
1. *Industrial Projects*		
1.	Orissa Sands Complex of M/s. Indian Rare Earths Limited.	A comprehensive Environmentallmpact Assessment Report demanded by the Appraisal Committee has now been received to be considered in the next meeting.
2.	Smelter Plant at Angul of M/s. National Aluminium Company Ltd.	Complete environmental details sought from the project authorities are still awaited.
11. *Mining*		
3.	Samleshwari Opencast Project of South Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (SECL).	Environmental examination has been complete but forestry clearance is awaited
4.	Lajakura Opencast Project, SECL. .	A detailed environmental management Plan is awaited.
5.	Kaliaga Coal Preparation Plan, SECL.	Tha environmental management plan received is to be discussed in the next meeting.